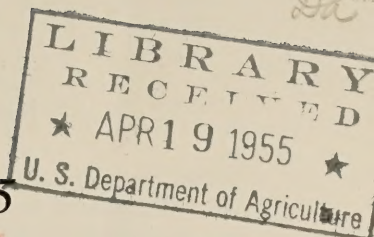


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A Fine Selection of
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Varieties



MARION JOHNSON

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DAHLIA FIELDS

Sumas, Washington

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. . Foreword . .

Another year has rolled around and we are pleased to present you with some of our new as well as many of the old favorite dahlias. Our selection is larger this year and the quality is of the very best. The past year was the wettest we have ever experienced, and was disappointing in that the rain ruined so many blooms, and also made it difficult for many people to come out and enjoy the many gorgeous flowers when they were at their best. Although the blooms were greatly handicapped by the rain, our root crop was one of the best we have had.

Our "Smiles" that placed on the Flower Grower Honor Roll last year was again given the accolade at the Oakland, Calif., trial ground, scoring 85M, and "Marion Johnson," our introduction for this year, scored 84.2 at Oakland and 84 at East Lansing, Mich.

NELS JOHNSON

. . Terms . .

Our terms are cash with order, or prior to shipping time. Local customers who call for their orders in person can pay prior to or when picking up their roots.

Mail orders are prepaid, or if preferred we can ship C. O. D., the customer paying the C. O. D. charges.

Make checks or money orders payable to N. O. A. Johnson, Sumas, Wash. Customers living in Washington please add 3 per cent for state sales tax.

Canadian customers must obtain import permits from the Secretary of Destructive Insect and Pest Act Advisory, Dept. of Agriculture, Ottawa, Ont.

All roots are guaranteed to be true to name and in good growing condition. If not found so, return same and a replacement will be made or money refunded.

Visitors are welcome to our dahlia fields during the blooming sason from mid-August until first frost. The farm is located one mile north of the Nooksack Valley high school, at the intersection of the high school and the Clearbrook roads.

. . Cultural Directions . .

Dahlias will do very well in almost any kind of soil with a little careful attention. Select a place that is reasonably sunny. A little shade during a part of the day is all right, but never plant dahlias in a plot that is underlaid with tree roots. Dig a hole nearly a foot deep and into it put about half a shovel of well rotted manure or any complete fertilizer, and mix this thoroughly with the soil in the bottom of the hole, then put in enough top soil so the root will not come into direct contact with the fertilizer. You now have a hole about six or eight inches deep. Now place your root and drive a strong stake near the sprout end of the dahlia root. By setting the stake now you will not injure the roots, which is likely by setting the stake after it is needed. Now cover the root with only about two or three inches of soil. This will allow the sun to warm better than if the hole were filled. After the plant has emerged, more soil can be hoed in as the plant grows.

Decorative Dahlias

	Price, each
BALLEGO'S GLORY — Formal decorative; bush medium; rich maroon with golden edges along the petals; very showy; good cut flower.....	\$.75
BARBAROSSA — Formal decorative; tall bush; very profuse bloomer of regularly formed, intense scarlet flowers. Excellent cut flower.....	.50
BLUE RIVER — Formal decorative; bush medium height; mauve colored, nearly blue; large blooms with perfect form .....	.75
CHAS. L. MASTICK — Formal decorative; medium bush; perfectly formed blooms almost spherical in shape. Color from golden bronze to orange....	.75
CLARA CARDER — Formal decorative; rather low bush; enormous cyclamen-pink flowers; an old favorite, still one of the best .....	.50
COMMANDO — Formal decorative; low bush; Tyrean purple blooms of good size and perfect form .....	.50
COLOR SKETCH — Formal decorative; medium bush; medium sized blooms of deep rose mottled with lighter pink. Very colorful with perfect stems .....	.75
DAHLMORE ORCHID — Informal decorative; medium bush; a large orchid lavender beauty with petals that twist and curl. A flower of rare dignity .....	.75
DEEP VELVET — Formal decorative; medium bush; very dark red, almost black velvety blooms. Very thrifty plant and a good root maker.....	.75
D-DAY — Formal decorative; tall bush; perfect pink blooms of medium size and very regularly formed .....	.75
DEUIL DU ROI ALBERT — Formal decorative; medium bush; a very popular number of rich purple with pure white tips. Very early and constant bearer of perfect blooms.....	.80
DOLLY SAWYER — Informal decorative; tall bush; pure white blooms of perfect form and poise. Makes a perfect flower for weddings and other formal occasions .....	.75
DR. KENNETH TAYLOR — Formal decorative; tall bush; an orange to buff dahlia of very good form. Is a good keeper for a dahlia of its size and is ideal for autumn color schemes.....	.75
EDITH MORRELL — Informal decorative; medium bush; a grand flower with broad petals of apricot hue, carried on strong stems and on a very healthy bush. Blooms often attain 11-inch size....	.50
FLAMINGO — Formal decorative; tall bush; a new lobster red beauty that blooms early and profusely, and is a wonderful keeper as a cut flower. Blooms held high above the foliage.....	.75
GERRIE HOEK — Formal decorative; medium bush; Rhodamine pink, with slight yellow shading at base of petals; one of our best for cutting and arrangements; very prolific .....	.80
INSPECTOR VANDEPLASSCHE — Formal decorative; medium bush; the base of the petals are bright carmine and the tips are pure white. One of the best bi-colors	1.00
JANE COWL — Informal decorative; tall bush; warm buff and old gold, blending to apricot and old gold at the center; very fine.....	.50
MAYOR OTIS — Informal decorative; medium bush; enormous flowers of great size and good substance. Golden honey yellow with slight copper shading. Flowers attain dinner plate size.....	.50

Decorative Dahlias Con't.

	Price, each
MISS BOEING — Informal decorative; tall bush; a recent introduction; delicate lavender pink; flowers have high centers and are very well poised on good stems; excellent for cut flowers and decorations	\$.50
MISS SHATTOCK — Formal decorative; tall bush; very free flowering; pure white, perfectly round, and large blooms on very good stems.....	.60
NAGEL'S SENSATION — Formal decorative; tall bush; gorgeous salmon rose flowers on ideal stems and growing in great profusion; a beauty both in the garden and in a vase.....	.75
NATHAN JOHNSON — Formal decorative; medium bush; brilliant red, sometimes flecked with white and lighter red; prolific bloomer.....	.50
PHANTOM — Formal decorative; medium bush; a beautiful violet with white tips. The blooms are up to 10-inch size, and are early.....	.60
PIUS XI — Formal decorative; tall bush; the flowers are glowing papel yellow, immaculately tipped with white; very unusual; bush is a vigorous grower; the flower stems are strong, making a truly fine dahlia.....	.75
PRINSES BEATRIX —Formal decorative; medium bush; a bi-color with an unusual color combination. Petals are orange with tips of rose pink....	.50
PROF. ROLAND PATCH — Formal decorative; medium bush; massive blooms of pure rose facing up on cane-like stems. A real beauty but a late bloomer .....	.50
RED AND WHITE — Formal decorative; tall bush; a medium sized bloom with brilliant red and white stripes lengthwise the florets. Has somewhat the appearance of a candy stick.....	.80
ROSE GLORY — Formal decorative; medium bush; a very regularly formed flower, facing upward, with rod-like stem; color pure old rose.....	.50
VILLERS BRETONNEUX — Informal decorative; tall bush; huge blooms on strong stems; a striking blend of rich crimson, tipped and streaked with gold .....	.50
WHATCHUNG GIANT — Informal decorative; medium bush; deep amber yellow; very large blooms in great abundance; vigorous grower and strong stems .....	.50
WHATCOM GLORY — Formal decorative; tall bush; beautiful clear pink. A sport of Bobby Dean, and very much like Jersey's Beauty. Excellent for cut flower and very thrifty growth....	.75

COLLECTION

One each of 8 varieties, our choice of decorative dahlias\$3.75

If you are looking for inferior dahlias, you no doubt can find them cheaper somewhere else.

Cactus and Semi - Cactus Dahlias

ADOLPH MAYER — Semi-cactus; tall bush; a deep garnet red almost black dahlia of outstanding qualities. Blooms are well poised on good stems	\$1.00
ARISTOCRAT — Straight cactus; medium bush. A glowing red, medium sized cut flower of very fine form and habit that lasts for days in an arrangement .....	.75
ARISTOS — Semi-cactus; medium bush. The violet red 10-inch blooms are held high on very good stems often showing white tips. A real beauty..	.75

Cactus and Semi - Cactus

Dahlias - Con't.

	Price, each
AUMONIER CHANDELON — Straight cactus; medium bush; a delicately shaded light salmon flower with cream centers	1.00
BLUE GALILEE — Semi-cactus; low bush; a very early and free flowering dahlia of bluish mauve; golden hued, very fine .....	.75
CASPER LUDWIG'S MEMORY — Semi-cactus; tall bush; a blood red dahlia of perfect form and poised on strong stems. An excellent cut flower. A Holland importation that has won all the highest awards in that country	1.00
CORAL LADY — Incurved cactus; tall bush; beautiful blooms with florets that swirl and twist; pure coral color	1.50
CORONA — Semi-cactus; medium bush; excellent cut flower of symmetric shape, of flesh color shaded pale yellow .....	.75
FINNESE ANVERSOISE — Straight cactus; medium bush; the greenish cream and tightly rolled petals of this flower make it an ideal flower for arrangements. A very profuse and early bloomer .....	.75
GRAF FOLKE BERNADOTT — Semi-cactus; tall bush; a pure white that faces upward on very long and strong stems. Ideal for large arrangements .....	.75
LYRIEK — Semi-cactus; tall bush; very graceful lilac blooms with elegantly curled and twisted petals, well poised and having good stems.....	1.00
MADAME ELIZABETH SAWYER — Cactus; medium bush; very pretty lively rose pink; excellent for cutting; early and profuse bloomer; a stand-out in the garden.....	.75
MADAME FLORIAM BREAM — Cactus; medium bush; a soft pastel pink shading to ivory makes this a flower of unusual beauty; very well poised	1.00
MARGARET ROSE — Straight cactus; tall bush; a large and lively salmon rose; long stems and a fine cut flower .....	.75

MARION JOHNSON

Cactus; low bush. This is our introduction for this year. The slightly incurved florets are bright apricot with a yellow base and the bloom has an overall bluish overcast that makes it radiate beauty. The blooms are about 7 inches and are on perfect stems. On the trial ground in Oakland, Calif., it scored 84.2 and in East Lansing, Mich., 84B. See cut on front cover\$2.00

MOONLIGHT — Cactus; tall bush; a pale yellow bloom that is held high on a very thrifty bush. A good cut flower.	
NAR — Semi-cactus; tall bush; five-inch orange red blooms with yellow tips very unusual suggesting a clown suit .....	.50
ORFEO — Semi-cactus; medium bush; a glistening reddish purple flower on a very stiff stem makes this a very good cut flower .....	.80
ORMOREO — Semi-cactus; tall bush; the florets of this lilac and white flower twist and curl, making it a rare beauty. Blooms are well poised on very rigid stems .....	.75
PURITY — Semi-cactus; medium bush; a lovely pure white cut flower. Vigorous, open grower with fine stems; petals rounded at tips.....	.75

Cactus and Semi - Cactus

Dahlias - Con't.

	Price, each
RENAISSANCE — Straight cactus; medium bush; an excellent cut flower with cinnamon red florets showing golden reverse. Long stemmed and spider formed	1.00
ROSITA — Straight cactus; tall bush. It has fragile baby pink starlike blooms on long and erect stems. The five-inch blooms are of perfect form and very free flowering	\$1.00
SIR HENRY DETERDING — Straight cactus; tall bush; large perfectly formed blooms of purest yellow. One of the best yellows with stiff stems and a good bloomer	1.00
SULTAN — Semi-cactus; tall bush; brownish purple giant of good form and very sturdy growth. A beauty in the garden .....	.75
TIP — Cactus; medium bush; a lemon yellow cut flower; profuse bloomer and good stems.....	.75
TORERO — Semi-cactus; tall bush; a blood red floret with yellow reverse that twists at tip, showing the back side, making a very unusual looking dahlia; flower has good substance and is very well poised; a good exhibition dahlia.....	.75
TORNADO — Cactus; tall bush; an excellent new dahlia of orange red hue. Early bloomer and perfect stems. Has been awarded the challenge cup in Holland for best cut flower.....	.80
VICTORY DAY — Straight cactus; tall bush; a bright medium red; flowers are very perfect and uniform. Ideal for baskets and arrangements.....	.80

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One each of 8 varieties, our choice
of cactus and semi-cactus dahlias.....\$3.75

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Miniature Dahlias

(Four Inches or Smaller)

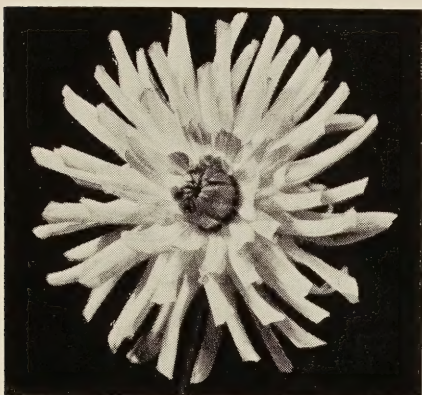
	Price, each
ARABESKE — Cactus; low bush; a free flowering sulphur yellow cactus with elegant stems; lovely for cut flowers50
BABY FONTENEAU — Miniature decorative; low bush; a sweet little flower of soft rose pink with yellow showing at the base of the petals; blooms very uniform and perfect centers; very artistic..	.50
DIAMANT — Miniature decorative; medium to tall bush; coppery red blossoms; early and profuse; has very good substance; will sometimes grow over four inches, the limit in size for miniatures .....	.50
JESCOT KENNY — Miniature decorative; tall bush. A lovely red flower with white tips. A thrifty grower, profuse bloomer and a good root maker .....	.50
LITTLE DIAMOND — Miniature cactus; low bush; a lovely Tyrian rose spiral cactus; the delicate pastel colors make it a beauty.....	.50
LITTLE PEACHES — Miniature cactus; low bush; a very pleasing apricot pink flower that is lighter to the center. Good wiry stems and a profuse bloomer .....	.50
MING — Miniature semi-cactus; medium bush; a really first class mauve to lavender cut flower. Florets twist and curl .....	.75

Miniature Dahlias Con't.

Price,
each

PEACEFUL — Miniature cactus; low bush; one of the most beautiful of all small dahlias. Perfect incurve blooms of delicate peach suffusing to golden yellow. Good stems..... .75

SMILES — Miniature cactus; medium bush; our last year's introduction that won the "Flower



Grower" Honor Roll last year and went on to score 85M at the Oakland, Calif., trial grounds again in 1954. A perfect cut flower of persimmon orange to buff color. Has very good substance and poised on perfect stems. Bush is loaded with blooms during the entire

season. This dahlia is acclaimed by amateur and expert alike\$1.25

SPIRIT — Miniature decorative; low bush; a sparkling color design of bright red with white tips; very colorful and a very profuse bloomer.... .50

SYLVIA — Miniature decorative; tall bush; bright carmine red blooms on a plant with long internodes and wide-spreading branches; good stems for cutting50

TACITA — Informal decorative; low bush. This translucent pink beauty is one of the loveliest flowers we have. The 4-inch blooms are carried on perfect stems, making it an ideal cut flower.... 2.00

TRINKET — Semi-cactus; low bush; one of the finest garnet red miniatures we know of for poise, lasting qualities and all around good qualities. Scored 85B at Ohio trial gardens (Hulin).... 2.00

WHITE FAWN — Miniature decorative; low bush; a pure white of perfect uniformity, rugged bush and very profuse blooming50

WILHELM ROPKE — Miniature semi-cactus; low bush; dazzling pure orange with golden center; very free flowering. Although this dahlia is listed as a miniature it always grows to "B" size for us. A very popular dahlia that always draws favorable comment 1.25

COLLECTION

One of each of 4 varieties, our choice of miniature dahlias\$1.60

Come and See Us Sometime When the Dahlias Are in Bloom

Ball Type Dahlias

BONNIE BLUE — Ball; tall bush; the nearest blue dahlia; bush is loaded with blooms the entire season50

JESCOT DAPHNE — Ball type; tall bush; violet red with heavily tipped white florets; very good stems60

JESCOT TANDRA — Ball type; tall bush; a pink flower with a bluish cast. Very good stems and healthy growth60

PROMISING SURPRISE — Ball type; medium bush; a beautiful violet with white tips that is both colorful and thrifty50

Single Dahlias

KOKETTE — Single type; tall bush; a velvety ox-blood red with one third of each petal butter cup yellow. Very early and continued producer of perfect blooms .....	.50
MARSHALL'S GLORY — Single; low bush; a deep garnet red with a white stripe running down the center of the petals .....	.50
VOLKANSLER — Single; low bush; brownish red petals with lacquer red flames down the center of each petal; very unusual and pretty little red flower .....	.50

Anemone Dahlias

BEB —Anemone; low bush; fawn outer petals with lighter center. About three-inch flower .....	.50
SEIMON DOORENBOS — Anemone; low bush; delicate lavender ray petals with a high-crested center of lighter shade and shading to cream.....	.50

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Collarette Dahlias

GRANITE FALLS — Collarette; low bush; a rich red with cream colored tips50
JENNY — Collarette; low bush; large carmine petals with a yellow collar. Very choice and on perfect stems .....	.60

Pompon Dahlias

ALBINO — Pure white; tiny flowers; very free flowering .....	.40
DARKEST OF ALL — Very dark purple; nearly black .....	.40
D E W D R O P — Very light, splashed with pale lavender .....	.40
DORIA — Ruby red small tight blooms; very profuse bloomer .....	.40
LEO — Flaming scarlet, with base of petals ochreous yellow .....	.40
LIPOMA — Delicate pink, tall bush .....	.40
MARY MUNNS — Very good, in rich fuchsia violet .....	.40
MORNING MIST — Delicate pale lavender, shading to white in the center.....	.40
ORANGE BRILLIANCE — Bright orange; very prolific .....	.40
PIPES NOIR — Extra dark purple, almost black....	.40
R E G U L U S — Purple violet or plum colored; tightly formed blooms .....	.40
ROI DES POMPON JAUNES — One of the best yellows on the market; tall40
ZONNEGOUD — Yellow with amber tips.....	.40

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One each of 4 varieties, our choice
of pompon dahlias\$1.25

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